

# Adolf Eichmann



One of the most feared and hated Nazi leaders  
who was responsible for the deaths of millions of Jews  
during World War II

# Background

- Born on March 19, 1906 near Cologan, Germany
- Moved to Austria (Hitler's hometown) after his mom died
- Was made fun of as a little boy and also known as "The Little Jew"
- Didn't finish his schooling in engineering field and had numerous jobs during his life

# The Start of a Nazi

- 1932 Eichmann joined the Nazi Party
- Once he joined the Nazi Party he quickly ran through the ranks
- Later in 1934 he became part of the SS and also the SD
- Served in the SS as SS Corporal in Dachau Camp



# The Start of a Nazi (cont.)

- In 1938 Eichmann became was the Head of the Austrian office for Jewish immigration
- His orders were to murder all of the Jews in Europe
- This order gave him the name as “The Master of Death”
- Later in 1939 he was transferred AMT. to deal with Jewish affairs and evacuation

# The Start of a Nazi (cont.)

- His goal here was for the implementation of the Final Solution
- He was not allowed to emplace the final solution until he was given the go ahead



# The Start of a Nazi (cont.)

- In 1941 he became the Head of Department for Jewish affairs in the Gestapo
- He stayed in this position until 1945
- In this position he was the chief in operation in the killing of three million Jews

# The Results

- In 1944 Eichmann said that 4 million Jews had been killed by death camps and that two million Jews were killed by mobile extermination groups.
- Stated that 5 million other innocent people were killed
- Claimed that at this point 11 million people had been killed



# The Man Hunt

- After World War II ended the man hunt for Eichmann began
- Eichmann lived secretly in Germany for five years
- He then moved to Argentina and lived under an alias for ten years



# Captured

- In 1960 he was captured in Buenos Aires, Argentina and taken to Israel for trial
- Here he was put on trial for life and became known as one of the greatest Nazi war criminals ever
- Was tried against War house crimes



# Sentencing

- Eichmann was sentenced to death for these crimes on December 2, 1961
- On May 31, 1962 his sentence was carried out in Israel for the first time ever
- Before his death Eichmann replied, “I was just following orders”

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